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VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

With the freſheſt ADVICES, FOREIGN *and* DOMESTIC.

The Letter promiſed in our laſt.

WHEN I intimated in my laſt Paper, ſome Diſtruſt of Mr. Johnſon's Complaiſance to the fairer Part of his Readers, it was becauſe I had a greater Opinion of his Impartiality and Severity as a Judge, than of his Gallantry as a fine Gentlemen. And indeed I am well aware of the Difficulties he would have to encounter, if he attempted to reconcile the polite with the grammatical Part of our Language. Should he, by an Act of Power, baniſh and attaint many of the favorite Words and Expreſſions with which the Ladies have ſo profuſely enriched our Language, he would excite the Indignation of the moſt formidable, becauſe the moſt lovely, Part of his Readers: His Dictionary would be condemned as a Syſtem of Tyranny, and he himſelf, like the laſt Tarquin, run the Riſque of being depoſed. So popular and ſo powerful is the Female Cauſe! On the other Hand, ſhould he, by an Act of Grace, admit, legitimate, and incorporate into our Language thoſe Words and Expreſſions, which, haſtily begot, owe their Birth to the Incontinency of Female Eloquence, what ſevere Cenſures might he not juſtly apprehend from the learned Part of his Readers, who do not underſtand Complaiſances of that Nature?

For my own Part as I am always inclined to plead the Cauſe of my fair Fellow Subjects, I ſhall now take the Liberty of laying before Mr. Johnſon thoſe Arguments which upon this Occaſion may be urged in their Favor, as introductory to the Compromiſe which I ſhall humbly offer and conclude with.

Language is indiſputably the more immediate Province of the fair Sex; there they ſhine, there they excel. The Torrents of their Eloquence, eſpecially in the vituperative Way, ſtun all Oppoſition, and bear away in one promiſcuous Heap, Noons, Pronouns, Verbs, Moods and Tenſes. If Words are wanting (which indeed happens but ſeldom) Indignation inſtantly makes new Ones, and I have often known four or five Syllables that never met one another before, haſtily and fortuitouſly jumbled into ſome Word of mighty Import.

Nor is the tender Part of our Language leſs obliged to that ſoft and amiable Sex; their Love being at leaſt as productive as their Indignation. Should they lament in an unvoluntary Retirement, the Abſence of the adored Object, they give new Murmurs to the Brook, new Sounds to the Echo, and new Notes to the plaintive *Philomela*. But when this happy Copiouſneſs flows, as it often does, into gentle Numbers, good Gods! how is the poetical Diction enriched, and the poetical Licence extended! even in common Converſation, I never ſee a pretty Mouth opening to ſpeak, but I expect, and am ſeldom diſappointed, ſome new Improvement of our Language, I remember many very expreſſive Words coined in that fair Mint. I aſſiſted at the Birth of that moſt ſignificant Word, *Flirtation*, which dropped from the moſt beautiful Mouth in the World, and which has ſince received the Sanction of our moſt accurate Laureat in one of his Comedies. Some inattentive and undiſcerning People have, I know taken it to be a Term ſynonimous with Coquetry; but I lay hold of this Opportunity to undeceive them, and eventually to inform Mr. Johnſon, that Flirtation is ſhort of Coquetry, and intimates only the firſt Hints of Aproximation, which ſubſequent Coquetry may reduce to thoſe reliminary Articles, that commonly end in a definitive Treaty.

I was alſo a Witneſs to the Riſe and Progreſs of that moſt important Verb, *to fuzz*, which if not of legitimate Birth, is at leaſt of fair Extraction. As I am not yet ſure that it has yet made its Way into Mr. Johnſon's literary Retirement, I think myſelf obliged to inform him that it is as uſeful, and the moſt uſed Word in our Language; ſince it means no leſs than dealing twice together with the ſame Pack of Cards, for Luck's Sake, at Whiſt.

Not content with enriching our Language by Words abſolutely new, my fair Countrywomen have gone ſtill further, and improved it by the Application and Extenſion of old Ones to various and very different Significations. They take a Word and change it, like a Guinea into Shillings for Pocket Money, to be employed in the ſeveral occaſional Purpoſes of the Day. For Inſtance, the Adjective *vaſt*, and its Adverb *vaſtly* mean any Thing, and are the faſhionable Words of the moſt faſhionable People. A fine Woman (under this Head I comprehend all fine Gentlemen too, not knowing in Truth where elſe to place them properly) is *vaſtly* obliged, or *vaſtly* offended, *vaſtly* glad, or *vaſtly* ſorry. Large Objects are *vaſtly* great, ſmall Ones are *vaſtly* little; and I had lately the Pleaſure to hear a fine Woman pronounce, by an happy Metonymy, a very ſmall Snuff-Box that was produced in Company, to be *vaſtly* pretty, becauſe it was ſo *vaſtly* little. Mr. Johnſon will do well to conſider ſeriouſly, to what Degree he will reſtrain the various and extenſive Significations of this great Word.

Another very material Point ſtill remains to be conſidered; I mean the Orthography of our Language, which is at preſent very various and unſettled.

We have at preſent two very different Orthographies, the *Pedantic*, and the *Polite*, the one founded upon certain dry and crabbed Rules of Etymology and Grammar, the other ſingly upon the Juſtneſs and Delicacy of the Ear. I am thoroughly perſuaded that Mr. Johnſon will endeavour to eſtabliſh the former; and I perfectly agree with him, provided it can be quietly brought about. Spelling, as well as Muſic, is better performed by Book, than merely by the Ear, which may be variouſly affected by the ſame Sounds. I therefore moſt earneſtly recommend to my fair Countrywomen, and their faithful or faithleſs Servants, the fine Gentlemen of this Realm, to ſurrender, as well for their own private, as for the public Utility, all their natural Rights and Privileges of Miſpelling, which they have ſo long enjoyed, and vigorouſly exerted. I have really known very fatal Conſequences attend that looſe and uncertain Practice of *auricular Orthography*; of which I ſhall produce two Inſtances as a ſufficient Warning.

A very fine Gentleman wrote a very harmleſs and innocent Letter to a very fine Lady, giving her an Account of ſome trifling Commiſſions which he had executed according to her Orders. This Letter, tho' directed to the Lady, was, by the Miſtake of a Servant, delivered to, and opened by her Huſband; who finding all his Attempts to underſtand it unſucceſsful, took it for granted that it was a concerted Cypher, under which a criminal Correſpondence, not much to his own Honor or Advantage, was ſecretly carried on. With the Letter in his Hand, and Rage in his Heart, he went immediately to his Wife, and reproached her in the moſt injurious Terms with her ſuppoſed Infidelity. The Lady conſcious of her own Innocence, calmly enough requeſted to ſee the Grounds of ſo unjuſt an Accuſation; and being accuſtomed to the *auricular Orthography*, made Shift to read to her incenſed Huſband the moſt inoffenſive Letter that ever was written. The Huſband was undeceived, or at leaſt was wiſe enough to ſeem ſo; for in ſuch nice Caſes one muſt not preremptorily decide. However, as ſudden Impreſſions are generally pretty ſtrong, he has been obſerved to have been more ſuſpicious ever ſince.

The other Accident had much worſe Conſequences. Matters were happily brought, between a fine Gentleman and a fine Lady, to the deciſive Period of an Appointment at a third Place. *The Place where* is always the Lover's Buſineſs, *the Time when* the Lady's. Accordingly an impatient and rapturous Letter from the Lover ſignified to the Lady the Houſe and Street *where*; to which a tender Anſwer from the Lady aſſented, and appointed the Time *when*. But unfortunately from the Uncertainty of the Lover's *auricular Orthography*, the Lady miſtook both Houſe and Street, was conveyed in a Hackney Chair to a wrong one, and in the Hurry and Agitation which Ladies are ſometimes in upon thoſe Occaſions, ruſhed into a Houſe where ſhe happened to be known, and her Intentions conſequently diſcovered. In the mean Time the Lover paſſed three or four Hours at the right Place, in the alternate Agonies of impatient and diſappointed Love, tender Fear and anxious Jealouſy.

Such Examples really make one tremble, and will, I am convinced, determine my fair Fellow Subjects and their Adherents, to adopt, and ſcrupuluſly conform to Mr. *Johnſon's* Rules of true *Orthography* by Book. In return to this Conceſſion, I ſeriouſly adviſe him to publiſh, by Way of Appendix to his great Work, a genteel neological Dictionary, containing thoſe polite, though perhaps not ſtrictly grammatical Words and Phraſes, commonly uſed, and ſometimes underſtood, by the *Beau Monde*. By ſuch an Act of Toleration, who knows but he may, in Time, bring them within the Pale of the Engliſh Language? The beſt Latin Dictionaries have commonly a ſhort ſupplemental one annexed, of the obſolete and barbarous *Latin* Words, which Pedants ſometimes borrow to ſhew their Erudition. Surely then my Countrywomen, the Enrichers, the Patroneſſes, and the Harmonizers of our Language, deſerve greater Indulgence. I muſt alſo hint to Mr. *Johnſon*, that ſuch a ſmall ſupplemental Dictionary will contribute infinitely to the Sale of the great one; and I make no Queſtion but that under the Protection of that little Work, the great one will be received in the genteeleſt Houſes, we ſhall frequently meet with it in Ladies Dreſſing-Rooms, lying upon the Harpſicord, together with the knotting Bag,, and Signior *De Giardino's* incomparable Concertos; and even ſometimes in the Powder-Rooms of our young Nobility, upon the ſame Shelf with their German Flute, their Powder Maſk, and their Four-horſe Whip.

LONDON, December 28.

IT is thought that his Royal Highneſs Prince Edward will be appointed Colonel of the Coldſtream Regiment of Guards, in the Room of the Earl of Albemarle.

That the Right Honorable the Earl of Powlet, firſt Lord of the Bed-Chamber to his Majeſty, will be appointed Groom of the Stole, in the Room of the Earl of Albemarle.

Extracts from the Votes of the Houſe of Commons, of the 11th and 16th of December 1754.

December 11. The Order of the Day being read, for the Houſe to reſolve itſelf into a Committee of the whole Houſe, to conſider further of the Bill for puniſhing Mutiny and Deſertion, and for the better Payment of the Army and their Quarters.

Ordered, That it be an Inſtruction to the ſaid Committee, that they have Power to receive a Clauſe or Clauſes, to provide that all Officers and Soldiers of any Troops, being muſtered, and in Pay, which are, or ſhall be raiſed

united in any of the British Provinces in North America by Authority of the respective Governors or Governments thereof, shall at all Times, and in all Places, when they happen to join or act in Conjunction with his Majesty's British Forces, be liable to martial Law and Discipline, in like Manner, to all Intents and Purposes, as the British Forces are, and shall be subject to the same Trial, Penalties, and Punishments.

December 16. *Resolved*, That a Sum, not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Pounds, be granted to his Majesty, towards the Buildings, Rebuildings, and Repairs of his Majesty's Ships, for the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-five.

A Motion made, that the engrossed Bill for punishing Mutiny and Desertion, and for the better Payment of the Army and their Quarters, be now read the third Time.

A Petition of William Bollan, Esq; Agent for his Majesty's Province of the Massachusetts Bay in America, relating to a Clause in the said ingrossed Bill, was offered to be presented to the House;

And the Question being put, that the said Petition be brought up? It passed in the Negative.

Then the said ingrossed Bill was read the third Time.

Resolved, that the Bill do pass.

Extract of a Letter from Paris, December 15.

"Whatever the Generality of People may think on your Side of the Water, or whatever may be the Sentiments of the Gascoons here, some of the most sensible of the French Politicians are by no Means satisfied with what has been done upon the Ohio, and when you hear their Reasons I think you will be convinced that they do not dissemble, but speak their real Sentiments, and have at the same Time good Grounds for what they say.

They observe that the French Colonies in North-America are not in any Situation to maintain a War without Assistance from Europe, and therefore they think it as none of the wisest Steps to begin one. They further remark, that the Scheme of tracing a Military Line from the Frontiers of Canada to Mississipi is a vast Undertaking, which they want Force to support; that it must equally alarm the Indians and the English; and that the latter have nothing to do but to put the former upon considering their own Interest, offering them their Friendship and Assistance, and strengthening these Arguments by Presents, to place the French between two Fires, and to render their Scheme abortive before it can be half executed. Besides, say they, the great End of Colonies abroad, is to cultivate a rich Country, to render themselves populous, and to transport the Fruits of their Industry to their Mother Country: This the English in these Parts are able to do; and the French, by attempting to do it too soon, will never be able to do it at all. Some think that a certain Minister will lose his Credit, by having countenanced this Project.

Some People reason in the same Manner in Reference to Affairs in the East-Indies, and are so far from considering Mr. Dupleix as the ablest Governor they ever had, that they make no Scruple of affirming he has sacrificed the Company's solid and essential Interests to his own Ambition, and for this Reason would be very glad to see the Convention with the English Company fairly signed, that they might have an Opportunity of putting Things on a right Footing, and attend to Commerce instead of Conquests."

We hear that the late Earl of Albemarle had been to make a Visit the Night that he died, and going home in his Coach, was suddenly seized, as supposed, with a Fit of an Apoplexy, and falling forward in the Coach, the Footman behind heard the Noise, which occasioned him to get down and open the Door, where he found his Lordship senseless. A Surgeon was sent for directly, but to no Purpose, for his Lordship expired in ten Minutes afterwards.

NEW-YORK, January 20.

We hear the Connecticut Assembly are now sitting; being called together on Account of the Ohio Affairs: There is a Talk of Money to be raised, and Officers in that Government have began to inlist Men.

We learn from Louisbourg in Cape Breton, that there were in December last near forty Sail of French Merchantmen in that Port, mostly Sloops and Schooners, and but few Topsail Vessels among them; (So that a Report of a French Squadron of Men of War's either arriving or being there, is entirely groundless.) That Provisions in general were extremely scarce: That their Fortifications throughout lay entirely neglected: And, that the Inhabitants, seemingly, pretended to be greatly dissatisfied at the Indifferency of the Court of France with regard to the present Situation of their Government Affairs; and otherwise ironically expressed themselves touching their Dependency on the Gallic Crown. ——— These several Intelligences from Cape Breton seem more than probable to be true, since it is beyond Dispute the People are as charitably disposed to supply and relieve their Friends and Acquaintances up the River St. Lawrence, and those lately settled down that of Ohio, with Bread, Flour, &c. as some good natured Christians among the English, are in supplying the Cape Bretoners with the like, and many other useful Commodities. And their several Pretences of being dissatisfied with the Behaviour of their Mother Country, render it as probable that the Whole is alone calculated the better to lull us into all the Negligence and Security, in order to wound us the deeper on the Back.

PHILADELPHIA, March 25.

By Virtue of a special Warrant from the Honorable ROBERT HUNTER MORRIS, *Esq; Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of* Pennsylvania, *and Counties of* New-Castle, Kent *and* Sussex, *upon* Delaware, *To the Collector and Naval Officer in and for the Port of* Philadelphia.

"His Honor the Governor having signified to us, that his Majesty's Service requiring that the strictest Care be taken to prevent any Supplies of "Provisions, Ammunition, or other warlike Stores, being carried to the "French, and not to admit to an Entry any Ships, Sloops, Shallops or "other Vessels, coming from any Part of this or the neighbouring Governments, unless the Master produces a proper Clearence or Permit from "the Officer of the respective Port, agreeable to the several Acts of Parliament for that Purpose. —— In Obedience to his Honor's Commands, "and to the End that the several Laws relating to the Loading and Unloading of Goods may be strictly observed, this public Notice is given to all Masters of Ships, Sloops, Shallops and other Vessels, that they do "not presume to load and carry away, or to unload any Goods, Ware or "Merchandizes, until Entry thereof hath been made at the Custom house, "and a proper Clearance or Permission granted for the same, upon the "Penalties and Forfeitures in the respective Acts of Parliament mentioned.

By a Letter from Bristol to a Gentleman here *(via Maryland)* dated Jan. 11, we have Advice, that on the 15th of December last, Captain Foord, in the Brigantine Nancey, bound to Bristol from this Port, met with a violent Gale of Wind, in Lat. 50, 20, N. Lon. 18, 45, in which a Sea broke in upon the Vessel, and carried every Thing off the Decks, washed overboard the Mate, and one of the Foremast-men, the former drowned, but the latter happily saved by the Assistance of a Rope. His Starboard dead Lights were stove in; the Cabbin and Steerage were twice full of Water; and in the Gale she sprung a Leak, which obliged them to throw overboard Part of the Cargo to leghten her; and were forced to keep the Pumps constantly going for three Weeks after, and at last got to Bristol on the sixth of January.

We are further advised from Bristol, that the Shirley, Captain Moore, was likewise arrived there; and that in his Passage he also met with hard Gales of Wind, which obliged him to throw overboard some of his Lumber.

WILLIAMSBURG, April 18.

The *Hatley*, *Hill*, is arrived in *York* River, in five Weeks from the *Downs*, and brings Advice of the Arrival of the *Pleasants*, *Fisher*, at *London*, and the *Peace*, *Rooke*, at *Bristol*. The *Commerce*, *Mouat*, for *James*-River, and the *Nelson*, *Purden*, for *York*-River, failed some Time before the *Hatley*, and the *Sydenham*, *Wilcox*, for *Rappahannock*, was cleared at the Custom-house, and ready to put to Sea.

The *Nancy*, *Tolman*, is arrived in *James*-River, from *London*.

On *Wednesday* and *Thursday* last, the following Criminals were brought to their Trials, *viz.*

John Turner, from *Sussex*, for Murder, guilty. Death.
Mary Murray, alias *Clark*, alias *Atkins*, her former Sentence ordered to be put in Execution.
Eleanor Feltom, from *Norfolk*, for Felony, acquitted.
Stephen Hutchings, from ditto, for Bigamy, acquitted.
George Carter, from *Stafford*, for Felony, acquitted, but bound to his good Behaviour.
John Fraser, and *William Thompson*, from *Stafford*, for Felony, convicted.
Robert Hamilton, from *Augusta*, for Murder, acquitted.
Alexander Rigsby, from *Essex*, for Murder, convicted of Manslaughter.
William Ritch, from *Culpeper*, for Felony, acquitted.
John Biggs, from *Fairfax*, for Felony, acquitted.
Peter Ridgeway, (a Convict) for Felony, acquitted.
Bridget Huggins, from *James-City*, for Felony, acquitted.
Judith Bird, from *York*, for Felony, convicted.
Thomas Jackson, and *Joseph Gaby*, for Felony, acquitted.
Susanna Barnett, from *Albemarle*, for Felony, acquitted.
The *Nelson*, *Purden*, from *London*, is arrived in *York*-River.

☞ *All Persons indebted to the Printer for* GAZETTES &c. *are desired to be speedy in discharging of their Accounts, as a great many of them are of a very long standing.*

ERRATA, in the Virginia *Almanack* 1755,

FROM *April* to the End, instead of *Full Moon* read *Last Quarter*, for *Last Quarter* read *New Moon*, for *New Moon* read *First Quarter*, for *First Quarter* read *Full Moon*.

In the County Courts, for *Bedford* read *Sussex*, for *Sussex* read *Bedford*.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE Subscriber will sell a Thousand Acres of Land, at *Sapponey*, in *Dinwiddie* County; and about 950 Acres of Land upon *Appamatox* River, in *Amelia* County, formerly a Plantation belonging to Col. *Robert Bolling*, called the *Horse-Pens*; neither of which Tracts of Land are more than five or six and twenty Miles from *Petersburg*. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchaser giving good Security, as usual, for the Money.

2‖ *William Stark.*

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, living in the Forks of *James* River, in *Augusta* County, a black Horse, about 14 Hands high, paces and trots, and branded III on the Side of the Head. The Owner may have him of me, on paying as the Law directs.

‖ *Samuel Paxton.*

TAKEN up at the Subscriber's Plantation, near *Winchester* Town, a small black Horse, about 13 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock and Shoulder AL in a Piece. The Owner may have him of me, paying as the Law directs.

‖ *William Rannalls.*

STOLEN, or ranaway, from the Subscriber, sometime last *May*, a likely *Virginia*-born Negroe Man, named *Isaac*, about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, about 22 Years of Age; he is a well-set Fellow, with a remarkable long Head; he is supposed to be stolen by some Person who has carried him out of the Colony. Whoever apprehends the said Slave, and contrives him to me in *Caroline* County, near *Chesterfield*, shall receive Four Pistoles Reward, of

2‖ *John Turner.*

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of Land, containing 1123 Acres, lying in *Brunswick* County, with good Improvements, viz. a good Dwelling-House, Kitchen, Smoak-House and Milk-House, two Barns, with a good Orchard. Any Person inclinable to purchase the same, may know the Terms by applying to the Subscriber, living on the Premisses.

1‖ *Randall Bracey.*

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, living in *King-William* County, some Time last Fall, a small Bay Mare, branded on the near Buttock 45. The Owner may have her of me, paying as the Law directs.

Nathaniel Burwell.

IN the Hands of *William Kidd*, Running Groom to *John Taylor*, Esq; of *Richmond*, the fine Bay Horse *Childers*, to cover this Season, at Two Guineas a Mare, Leap and Trial, the Money paid at the Time of covering, or Five Pistoles for a Foal: *Childers* is 14 Hands and an Half high, very beautiful, and esteemed in as high a Form as any Horse in the Colony: He was got by *Blaze*, who won seven King's Plates; his Sire was the famous *Devonshire Childers*, whose Sire was the *Darley Arabian*; *Childers*'s Dam was got by a Son of the *Portmore Fox*, which was got by *Clumsy*, which was got by *Heautboy*, which was got by the *Darcey White Turk*, out of a Royal Mare; the rest of his Pedigree is of as high Blood, but needless to be inserted. *Childers* was Second at *Beverley* for a 50 *l.* Plate, for four Years olds, in *June* 1750; he was also Second at *York* the following *August*, when Lord *Portmore*'s *Stim* won; the next *May* he started at *Beverley*, won the first Heat, was Third the second Heat, and Second the third and fourth Heats; and in *July* he run at *Richmond*, was Second the first Heat, and lamed the next; he is free from all natural Blemishes, in high Vigor, and very lucky in getting Foals, almost every Mare he leaped last Season, (which was the first of of his Covering) being now in Foal.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, living in *Augusta* County, a black Horse, three Years old, has a small Star in his Face, branded on the near Shoulder L and on the near Buttock C. The Owner may have him of me paying as the Law directs.

James Lockhart.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, about the middle of last *October*, a small bay Mare, branded on the near Buttock 3. She was taken up about two Miles from *Piscataway* Church, in *Essex* County: And hath been appraised. The Owner may have her on paying as the Law directs.

John Price.

Essex County, *Tappahannock*, *April* 14, 1755.

WHEREAS I have been in the Business of Messrs. *John Ritchie* and Son, of *Glasgow*, Merchants, ever since I have resided in the Colony, and being desirous to leave the same, have advised the aforesaid Gentlemen thereof, that they may appoint me a Successor: These are therefore to desire all Persons that have any Accounts now open with me, immediately, to come and settle the same, either by discharging or giving Bond for the Ballances that may be due, otherwise they may expect immediate Trouble.

Archibald Ritchie.

To be SOLD to the highest Bidder,

PUrsuant to the last Will and Testament of Mr. *Robert Bagge*, deceased, on the first Day of *June* Fair next, in *Fredericksburg*, for ready Money, a very valuable Tract of Mountain Land, containing 1000 Acres, lying in *Orange* County, on the *Rapidan* River, about two Miles below the *Robertson* River, very convenient to Churches, Court-House and Mill, joining to the said Land.

Robert Scayres,
John Reynolds, } Executors.

To be SOLD, pursuant to a Decree of the Court of Vice-Admiralty,

THE Sloop *John*, of *New-York*, together with her Guns, Rigging, Tackle, Apparel, and Furniture, on *Saturday* the 19th Instant, And on *Saturday* the 26th Instant, will likewise be sold, the Cargo of the said Sloop, (both Sales to be at *York* Town,) for Ready Money to the highest Bidder or Bidders for the same;

Her CARGO consists as follows,

2 Pipes, and 15 Casks of Madeira Wine,	3 Casks of Sugar,
9 Casks of Red Wine, in Bottles,	2 Ditto Cheese,
2 Ditto Sweet ditto, in Bottles,	1 Ditto Prunes,
20 Cases of Geneva,	1 Ditto Figs,
6 Ditto Sallad Oil,	49 Pair of Men's Shoes,
18 Half Anchors of Rum,	36 Ditto of Women's Leather ditto,
4 Pieces of English Calicoe,	2 Pinchbeck Snuff-Boxes,
4 Ditto Irish Linen,	1 Tweezer Case,
6 Ditto Dowlass.	8 Canisters, containing about 580*lb.* Tea,
6 Ditto Princes Linen,	17 Pounds of Imperial ditto,
8 Ditto course Cambrick,	8 Dozen Playing Cards,
11 Ditto Muslin,	4 Boxes Chocolate,
2 Ditto Black India Persian,	6 Firkins of Butter,
40 Ditto of Dresden Lace, alias Footing,	480 Hiccory Brooms,
2 Ditto Silk Romole Handkerchiefs,	3 Dozen Men's Watch-Chains,
10 Ditto Canoe ditto,	1 Ditto Women's ditto,
3 Ditto Cotton ditto,	2 Gross of Gartering.
9 Casks of Raisins,	

Thomas Dickinson, Marshal, C. V. A.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, living in *Prince-Edward* County, on *Bush* River, near the Court-House, a middle-siz'd dark Bay Horse, branded on the near Buttock somewhat resembling a Coach Whip, and on the near Shoulder *R*. The Owner may have him of me, on paying as the Law directs.

Alexander Cunnigham.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, living in the Fork of *Nottoway*, in *Amelia* County, a small Bay Horse, with one white Foot, a Star in his Forehead, several Saddle Spots, and branded on the near Buttock with two Dots or something like Three. He has been posted and appraised at Four Pounds. The Owner may have him of me, on paying as the Law directs.

Benjamin Shelton.

To be SOLD, pursuant to a Decree of the Court of Vice-Admiralty,

THE Sloop *Martha*, of *New-York*, together with her Guns, Rigging, Tackle, Apparel, Furniture, and Lading, as follows, *viz.* 11 Casks of Wine, 1 Hhd. of Claret, 2 Canisters of Tea of about 100 *lbs.* Weight each, a large Quantity of Rum in Hogsheads, 4 Barrels of Mackrel, 5 Cases of Geneva, 4 ditto Chocolate, *&c. &c.* on *Tuesday* the 29th of this Instant *April*, at the Borough of *Norfolk*, if fair, if not the next fair Day, for ready Money, to the highest Bidder.

Thomas Dickinson, Marshal C. V. A.

ALL Persons indebted to the Subscriber are desired to discharge their Accounts immediately, otherwise they may expect to be sued for the same, without farther Notice.

Henry Wetherburn.

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A NEW and correct MAP of the most inhabited Part of *Virginia*, containing also the whole Province of *Maryland*, Part of *Pennsylvania*, *New-Jersey*, and *North-Carolina*, surveyed in the Year 1751, by *Joshua Fry* and *Peter Jefferson*, and now much corrected and enlarged from several later Observations; taken on the Spot, with the Waggon Roads from *Williamsburg* to *Wills*'s Creek, both thro' *Fredericksburg* and *Alexandria*, including the greatest Part of the River *Ohio*, with the Rivers *Monongahela*, *Yawyaugany*, *New-River*, *Green-Briar*, *&c. &c.*

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The CONDUCT of the *FRENCH*, With Regard to *NOVA-SCOTIA:*

From its first Settlement to the present Time.

In which are exposed the Falsehood and Absurdity of their Arguments made Use of to elude the Force of the Treaty of *Utrecht*, and support their unjust Proceedings.

In a LETTER to a Member of PARLIAMENT.

Williamsburg, *April* 10, 1755.

THE Subscriber having lately set up for himself, in this City, near the *Capitol*, to carry on the Business of a Wheel-Wright and Chair-Maker; he therefore gives this public Notice, to all Gentlemen and Others that will please to favour him with their Custom, That they may depend on being served after the best Manner, and at a reasonable Rate, by

Their humble Servant,

Peter Powell.

To be LETT, and entered on immediately,

A Convenient Dwelling-House, with Kitchen, Cellar, and a Garden pailed in, situate near Mr. *Coke*'s in *Williamsburg*. For Terms apply to the Subscriber near *Williamsburg*, or to the Printer.

Thomas Cobbs.

To be SOLD to the highest Bidder, at York *Town,*

ON *Thursday* the 24th Day of *April*, by Virtue of a Power of Attorney, from *John Irwin* of the City of *Dublin*, Shoemaker, Brother and Heir at Law of *Jones Irwin*, late of *York* Town aforesaid, decras'd, all the Lands, Slaves, and one fourth Part of the personal Estate of the said *Jones Irwin*, on six Months Credit, the Purchaser giving Bond and Security, as usual, to

John Martin.

April 2, 1755.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living in *Orange* County, on *Thursday* last, a Servant Man, named *Nicholas Weston*, born in *Yorkshire*, pitted with the Small-Pox, of a ruddy Complexion, about 23 Years of Age, and about 5 Feet 7 or 8 Inches high, well made; he came in as a Book-keeper, but has served as a School-master. Took with him a likely Bay Horse, and a Saddle about half worn; the Horse has Glass-Eyes, a Star in his Forehead, is about 14 Hands high, paces well, branded on the near Buttock I, and on the off Buttock with a Stroke. The said Runaway had on, when he went away, a white Fustian Coat with Metal Buttons, the fore Parts of his Jacket uncut Velvet, the hind Parts red Callimanco, a Pair of Leather Breeches, a brown Wig, a new Castor Hat, and a ruffled Shirt. He is supposed to have made towards the Shipping.

Whoever apprehends and conveys him to me, shall have Eight Pistoles Reward, and Two Pistoles for the Horse.

N. B. If he is taken up out of this Colony, I will give Twelve Pistoles Reward.

Taverner Beal.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living in *King-George* County, on *Easter-Tuesday* last, a Convict Servant Man, named *Richard Sadler*, about 5 Feet 7 Inches high, of a thin Visage, dark Complexion, slow of Speech, and came in with Capt. Payne, about two Years ago; had on when he went away, a dark colored Kersey Coat and Breeches, two Oznabrig Shirts, new Shoes and Stockings; his general Employment was to drive a Cart; he is a very great Rogue, and has a sly Look ——It's imagined he took with him several Sorts of wearing Apparel, and also a *Welch* Servant Man, named *Richard Williams*, (belonging to Mr. *Samuel Washington*) near 6 Feet high, well clothed, of a fair Complexion, somewhat on the sandy Hue, and will pass for a Sailor or Gardner. Whoever takes up the said Runaways, or either of them, and conveys them to their said Masters, shall have Two Pistoles Reward for each, besides what the Law allows.

John Champe.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living in *Glocester* County, on the 26th Day of *March* last, a Convict Servant Man, named *John Linley*, he is a Ploughman, about 27 Years of Age, born in *Yorkshire*, about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, thin-made, with his own Hair; had on when he went away, a grey plain Frock with Metal Buttons, a strip'd Flannel Waistecoat, one brown Linen ditto, a Pair of *Virginia* made Buck-skin Breeches, Shoes and Stockings: Also took with him two or three brown Linen Shirts, and one white Linnen ditto. He went away with a Convict Servant Man of Mr. *Warner Lewis*'s, who he let out of Prison, he is a Malster by Profession, had on a Fearnothing Waistecoat, and wears a Cap. Whoever will bring the said Runaway to me, or put him into the Hands of a Constable, so that I may have him again, shall receive Two Pistoles Reward if taken 10 Miles from home; if 50 Three Pistoles; and if out of the Colony Six Pistoles, paid by

Francis Tomkies.

N. B. It is imagined they will endeavour to get over to the *Eastern* Shore, and so to *Philadelphia*.

To be SOLD, at Public Sale, the second Wednesday *in* May *next, if fair, if not the next fair Day, at the Subscriber's,*

A TRACT of Land, situate on *Pamunkey* River, about three Miles from the *Brick House*, with a good Dwelling-House underpinn'd with Brick, two Brick Chimneys and a good Cellar, a Kitchen with a Brick Chimney, Corn-House, Smoak-House Hen-House, a young Apple-Orchard, and other Conveniencies thereon; also a good Marsh adjoining it: It's a convenient Place for a Merchant, and for Fishing and Fowling. The Terms to be agreed on the Day of Sale, by

Richard Townes.

To be SOLD, on the 20th Day of May *next, at* Essex *Court-House,*

SEVENTEEN Hundred Acres of good Land, in the said County, lying in two different Tracts, within seven Miles of each other, convenient to Warehouses and Churches. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchaser giving Bond and Security, as usual.

Eight valuable Lots, lying in *Hobbs's-Hole*, will be sold the same Day, for Ready Money.

John Armistead.

THE Subscriber intending to attend the Camp as a Setler, purposes to sell his Houses and Lots in the Town of *Alexandria*, which consist of one Acre, on which is a House Eighty-two Feet long, a Kitchen, Meat-House, Milk-House and Stable.

Any Person inclinable to purchase the same may know the Terms, by applying to Messrs. *Carlyle* and *Dalton*, or

Nathaniel Smith.

Hanover County, *April* 8, 1755.

WHEREAS Mr. *William Green*, Merchant, of the City of *Williamsburg*, hath advertised all Persons indebted to the late *Sarah Packe*, (now *Sarah Green*) not to settle with *George Pitt*, or any Person besides himself, who has no Right or Power to settle with any Person so indebted before the 19th Day of *February* 1754. At which Time Mrs. *Sarah Packe* did make an Agreement with, and sold to the Subscriber her Lot and Houses in *Williamsburg*, with all the Furniture therein, and also her Life in a Plantation near *Williamsburg*, known by the Name of *Morris*'s Plantation, together with all the Stock on the said Plantation; and seven Negroes, *viz. Bridget*, *London*, *Lambeth*, *Robin*, *Kate*, *Sarah* and *Tom*, and also all Debts of what Kind or Quality soever, that were then due to the said *Sarah*; all which, for the Consideration of Eleven Hundred Pounds current Money; for which Sum, at the Request of the said *Sarah*, I gave a Bond, payable after her Death as to be directed by her Will, and to pay Fifty-five Pounds *per Annum* Interest during her Life.

Since Mr. *Green*'s Marriage with the above *Sarah Packe*, I have demanded of him to carry this Agreement into Execution, (at the same Time tendering him one Year's Interest above) which he refused to do; and it having been hinted to me, That Mr. *Green* and Wife may sell every of the Premisses above-mentioned, and go for *England*.

This is therefore to caution all Persons from making a Purchase of the same, or any Part thereof, from Mr. *Green* or Mrs. *Green*; or paying any Debts that was due to the above-named *Sarah*, on the Date aforesaid, to either of them; but are desired to pay such Ballances to me only, as I have the Right to receive the same, and will indemnify any Person for so doing.

I will allow Five *per Cent.* Discount for such of the above Debts as are paid me, by the 15th Day of *June* next.

George Pitt.

Williamsburg, *April* 16, 1755.

THIS is to give Notice, to all Persons that are indebted to the late Widow *Sarah Packe*, now *Sarah Green*, not to settle with *George Pitt*, or any Person besides her Husband the Subscriber; therefore all those that are indebted to her, are desired to come and pay their respective Ballances to me; and all Persons that have any Demands against the said *Sarah*, are also desired to bring in their lawful Accounts, that they may be discharged by me.

And, whereas, the said *George Pitt* has advertised, that he only is authorized to receive the Debts due to the said *Sarah*, before the 19th Day of *February*, 1754. and also cautions all Persons from purchasing the Houses, Slaves, *&c.* as he pretends to have a Title to the same; this is to caution all Persons from giving Credit to the said Assertions, and not to pay him any Money, as his Receipts will not indemnify them from accounting with

William Green.

April 10, 1755.

TO be SOLD, at public Auction, for Ready-Money, on *Wednesday* the 30th of this Instant, at 4 o'Clock in the Afternoon, before Mr. *Finnie*'s Door, in *Williamsburg*, the Reversion of 249 Acres of Land, lying in *James-City* County, near the said City, whereof *William Parks* died seised.

William Norvell, Sheriff of the said County.

STOLEN or Stray'd from *Hanover* Court-House, on *Monday* Night the 31st of *March* last, a dark Bay Horse, about 13 Hands high, the Brand forgot, very tender on the Withers, and apt to winch on the least Touch, he has been used to the Cart, and has no other Gait but a heavy Trot. Also a white Mare, 13 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock B, and was used to the Cart and Harrow. Whoever will bring the said Horse and Mare to Capt. *William Dabney*'s House in *Hanover* County, shall receive a Pistole Reward for each,

Edward Ambler.

TAKEN up at the Subscriber's Plantation, near *Tare-Wallet* Chapel, in *Cumberland* County, some Time in *July* last, a small black Horse, about 4 Years old this Spring, with a large Snip on his Nose, a Switch Tail, and branded on the near Buttock W; he has been posted, and appraised at Forty Shillings. The Owner may have him of me, on paying as the Law directs.

Gideon Glenn.

TAKEN up at the Subscriber's Plantation, in *Cumberland* County, a small Bay Mare, undock'd, with a small Star in her Forehead, and branded on the near Buttock with a Dot. She has been appraised at Thirty Shillings. The Owner may have her of me, paying as the Law directs.

N. B. The said Mare was bred at my Plantation.

James Brown.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, living near the lower Church in *Hanover* County, a small white Mare, branded on the near Buttock with three Dots thus ∴. She has been posted. The Owner may have her of me, on paying as the Law directs.

Michael Tucker.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, living near *Beaverdam* Creek, in *Goochland* County, a small dark-grey Mare, about 4 Feet 2 Inches high, with a short Switch Tail, a Blaze in her Face, her near hind Foot white, and branded on the near Buttock HP in a Piece. She has been posted and appraised at Thirty-five Shillings. The Owner may have her of me, paying as the Law directs.

Stephen Perkins.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, living at *Albemarle* Court-House, on *James* River, a Mouse colored Grey Mare, about three Years old, with a hanging Mane, but not dock'd. The Owner may have her of me, paying as the Law directs.

John Lewis.

NOTICE is hereby given,

THAT there is a good Stable and Pasture, with all Sorts of Provinder for Horses, at the Plantation of *Philip Johnson*, near the *Capitol* in *Williamsburg*; where Gentlemen may depend on having proper Care taken of their Horses, Carriages, *&c.*

To be SOLD, to the highest Bidder,

A Plantation and Tract of Land, containing 5300 Acres, granted by Patent to Capt. *William Clinch* of *Surry* County, lying on both Sides the *Whipping* and *Licking* Creeks, in *Bedford* County, formerly *Lunenburg*. The Plantation is in good Order for making a Crop, with 4 or 5 Hands: There is on it an Overseer's House, a Negroe Quarter, and other convenient Out-Houses; also some Corn and Fodder, about 50 Head of Cattle, some Horses, 8 or 9 Hogsheads of Tobacco made on the Plantation. The Sale to be at the Door of the *Raleigh* Tavern, in *Williamsburg*, the 25th Day of *April*.

Any Gentleman inclinable to purchase this valuable Tract of Land, may be shewed it by applying to Mr. *Charles Talbot*, living near the same.

RAN away from the Subscriber's Plantation, on *Flat-Rock* Creek, in *Lunenburg* County, in *March* 1754. a slim, young Negroe Man, named *Porringer*, about five Feet six or seven Inches high, he is very black, walks nimble, speaks pretty good *English*, and hath been in the Country about three Years. Whoever brings him to Captain *John Jennings*, on *Flat-Rock* Creek, or to my House in *Henrico* County, shall have Three Pistoles Reward if taken in this Colony, and Five Pistoles if in any other.

t. f. *Samuel Du-Val.*

To be SOLD, at public Auction, for Ready-Money,

ON *Monday* the 12th Day of *May* next, at the Landing of Mr. *Thomas Scott*, in the Borough of *Norfolk*, pursuant to a Judgment of the said County Court, a new Ship on the Stocks, of the following Dimensions, *viz.* Sixty-two Feet Keel, Twenty-three Beam, Eleven Feet Hold, and four Feet and an Half between Decks.

Joshua Corprew.

To be SOLD,

A Very good Windmill, and all other Houses fit for carrying on the Business of a Baker, being Part of the Estate of *Robert Todd*, late of *Norfolk*, Merchant, deceased; the said Houses are built upon the Glebe, within Half a Mile of *Norfolk*, and the Terms of Sale may be known by applying to Captain *Edward Pugh*, of the said Town, or the Subscriber.

All Persons indebted to the said Estate, are, to prevent Trouble, desired immediately to pay their respective Ballances to Messieurs *James Holt* and *William Young*, Attornies at Law in *Norfolk*, or to the Subscriber living in *Suffolk*; and such Men as have in their Possession any Notes, Bonds, or other Papers of Consequence belonging to the said Estate, are requested to give Information thereof, to

8 *John Watson*, Administrator.

Williamsburg, *March* 20, 1755.

ON *Friday* the 25th of *April* next, will be Sold at public Sale, the Shop, Books, Medicines, Shop Utensils, *&c.* belonging to the Estate of Dr. *Kenneth Mackenzie*, decea's'd. Six Months Credit will be allowed, on the Purchasers giving Bond and Security, as usual.

All Persons that have any Demands against the Estate, are desired to bring in their Accounts; and those that are indebted to the said Estate, must be speedy in discharging their respective Ballances, or they may depend on being sued without further Notice.

James Carter, *George Riddell*, } Executors.

To be SOLD at Auction, in the Borough of Norfolk, *on* Saturday *the* 10th *of* May *next,*

THE Lots and Houses, now (and for some Time past) in the Occupation of Mr. *Andrew Sprowl*, Merchant, the Purchaser giving Bond and Security, to be discharged at two equal Payments, at *Williamsburg*, on or before the 20th Day of next *October* General Court, and at the *Oyer & Terminer* Court in *December* following.

8 *John Thruston.*

To be SOLD to the highest Bidder, pursuant to the last Will and Testament of Mr. Archibald Macpherson, *deceas'd, on the second Day of* June *Fair next, in* Fredericksburg,

A VERY convenient Lot and Houses, in the said Town, whereon Mr. *Anthony Strother* now lives, consisting of a large Dwelling-House, with all other convenient Out-Houses, and a Garden and Lot pailed in. Six Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchaser giving Bond and Security as usual; if any Person chuses to purchase the same sooner, may apply to 15 *Charles Dick*, Executor.

To be LETT, and may be entered on immediately,

A LARGE Brick Store-house, *&c.* in *Norfolk*, that lately belonged to Mr. *Robert Todd*, and is now in the Possession of Mr. *Hugh Blackburn*. Any Person may know the Terms by applying to the said Mr. *Blackburn*, or to the Subscribers, living in *Suffolk*. 13 *Watson* and *Cairnes.*

To be SOLD,

THE Plantation whereon the Subscriber lately lived, adjoining the Town of *Newcastle*, containing upwards of 300 Acres, with a good Dwelling-House, and other convenient Houses thereon. The Terms may be known by applying to Major *Taylor*, in *Newcastle*, or to me, at *Elk-Island*.

t. f. *Reuben Skelton.*

To be SOLD, by the Subscriber, by Virtue of Powers of Attorney, from William M'Redie, *Brother and Heir at Law to* Thomas M'Redie *of* Fredericksburg, *Merchant, deceas'd, and* Thomas M'Redie, *Father of the said* Thomas,

A Plantation in *Augusta* County, on *Shenandoe* River, containing 300 Acres more or less, 100 of which are extraordinary rich low Grounds; as also, Ten choice working Slaves, with Hogs, Horses, and Cattle. The Premisses may be entered upon, and enjoyed, at any Time after the Sale. Whoever has a Mind to purchase, may apply to us and know the Terms.

t. f. *John Mitchell*, *William Cuningham.*

To be SOLD, in Prince-George *County,*

FOURTEEN Hundred Acres of Land, containing both valuable high and low Grounds, affords good Water, good Pasturage, and is well timber'd with large Oak, Pine and Poplar, whereon are three good Plantations, in good Order for Cropping; and the Manor Plantation is a very handsome Situation, with the following Conveniencies, *viz.* One Dwelling-House 32 by 25, containing 4 Rooms and 4 Closets, with a Brick Chimneys, plaister'd and white-wash'd; also another Dwelling-House 38 by 18, with a Stack of Chimneys in the Middle, 2 Rooms on a Floor, and a large Closet, plaister'd and white-wash'd, a good Dairy, Meat-House, Smoak-House, Kitchen, Quarter, Stabling-House with a Brick Chimney, one 40 and one 32 Feet Tobacco-Houses, a large weather-boarded Store, with several other convenient Houses and Orchards; and on each of the other Plantations are two 32 Feet Tobacco-Houses, an Overseer's-House, and Negroe Quarters, likewise Orchards, and good Water. Any Person inclinable to purchase may know the Terms, by applying to *Charles Turnbull* at *Petersburg*, *John Hyndman* at *Smithfield*, or *William Stevenson* at *York*.

t. f.

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